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ABSTRACT

This anthology includes research and reviews about social issues and inequalities facing Chicanos and Chicanas and their struggle for equal participation in society. Four sections focus on demography and on economic inequality among beginning and mature workers; the Chicano family and its responses to acculturation and poverty; the Chicano challenge to social institutions, including the Catholic Church and the mass media; and ethnicity as a factor in community and educational politics. Chapters are: (1) Introduction (Roberto M. De Anda); (2) "The Demography of Chicanos" (Rogelio Saenz, Clyde S. Greenlees); (3) "Economic Restructuring and Young Latino Workers in the 1980s" (Manuel Avalos); (4) "Falling Back: Mexican-Origin Men and Women in the U.S. Economy" (Roberto M. De Anda); (5) "Familism and Assimilation among Mexican-Origin and Anglo High School Adolescents" (Angela Valenzuela, Sanford M. Dornbusch); (6) "Chicano Families and Urban Poverty: Familial Strategies of Cultural Retention" (Elsa O. Valdez); (7) "Juntos y Separados: Cultural Complexity in U.S. Mexican Households" (Javier Tapia); (8) "Independent Living among Mexican American Elderly: The Need for Social Services Support" (Diana J. Torrez); (9) "Liberation Theology and Social Change: Chicanas and Chicanos in the Catholic Church" (Gilbert R. Cadena, Lara Medina); (10) "Of Corridos and Convicts: Gringo (In)Justice in Early Border Ballads and Contemporary Pinto Poetry" (Raul Homero Villa); (11) "Chicano Cultural Resistance with Mass Media" (Diana I. Rios); (12) "Ganging Up on the Gang" (Raul Tovares); (13) "Bilingual/Bicultural Education and Politics in Crystal City, Texas: 1969-1989" (Armando L. Trujillo); (14) "Situational Identity of Suburban Mexican American Politicians in a Multiethnic Community" (Jose Zapata Calderon); and (15) "Backwards from Aztlan: Politics in the Age of Hispanics" (Ignacio M. Garcia). Chapters contains references. (SV)

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